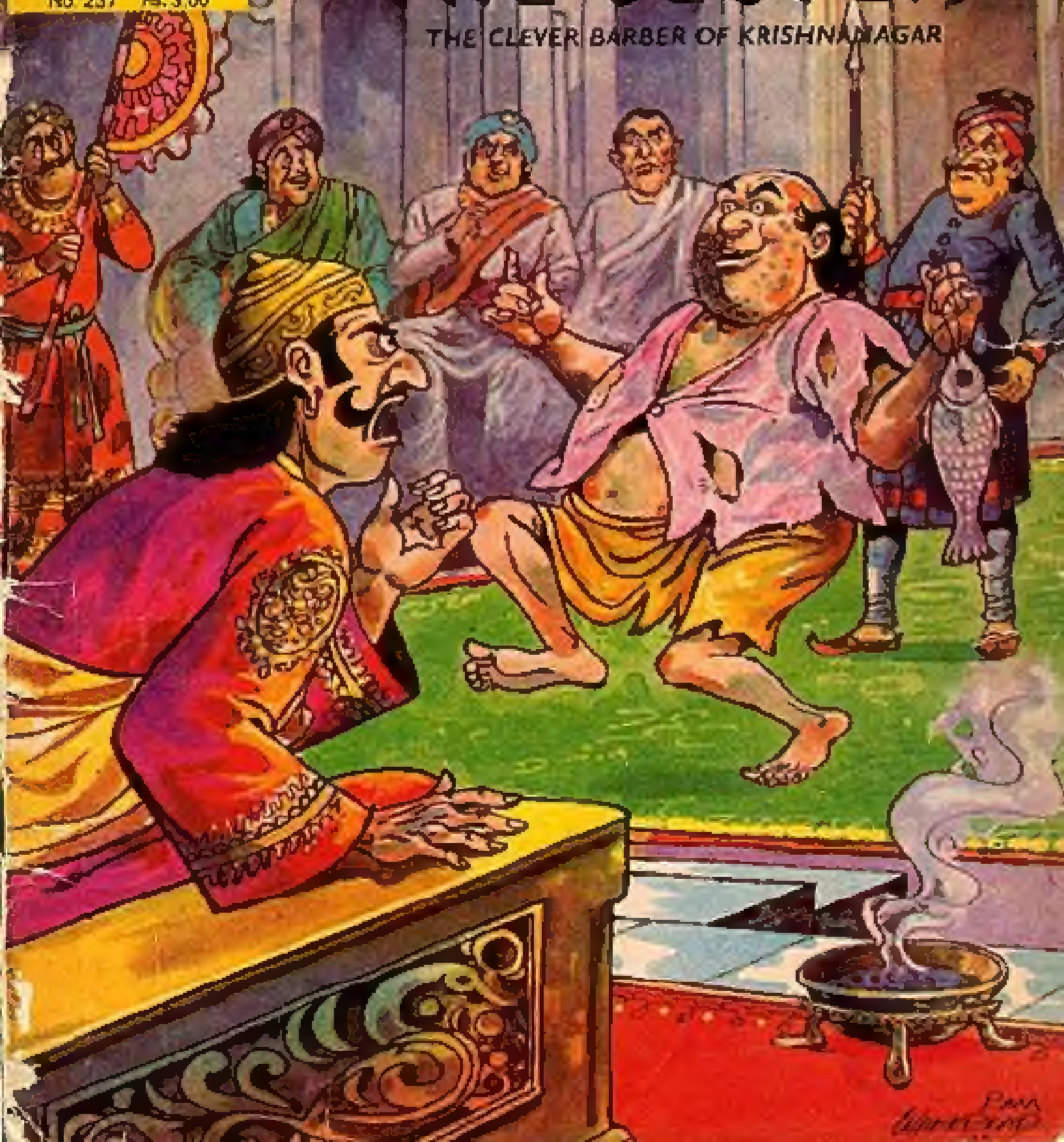




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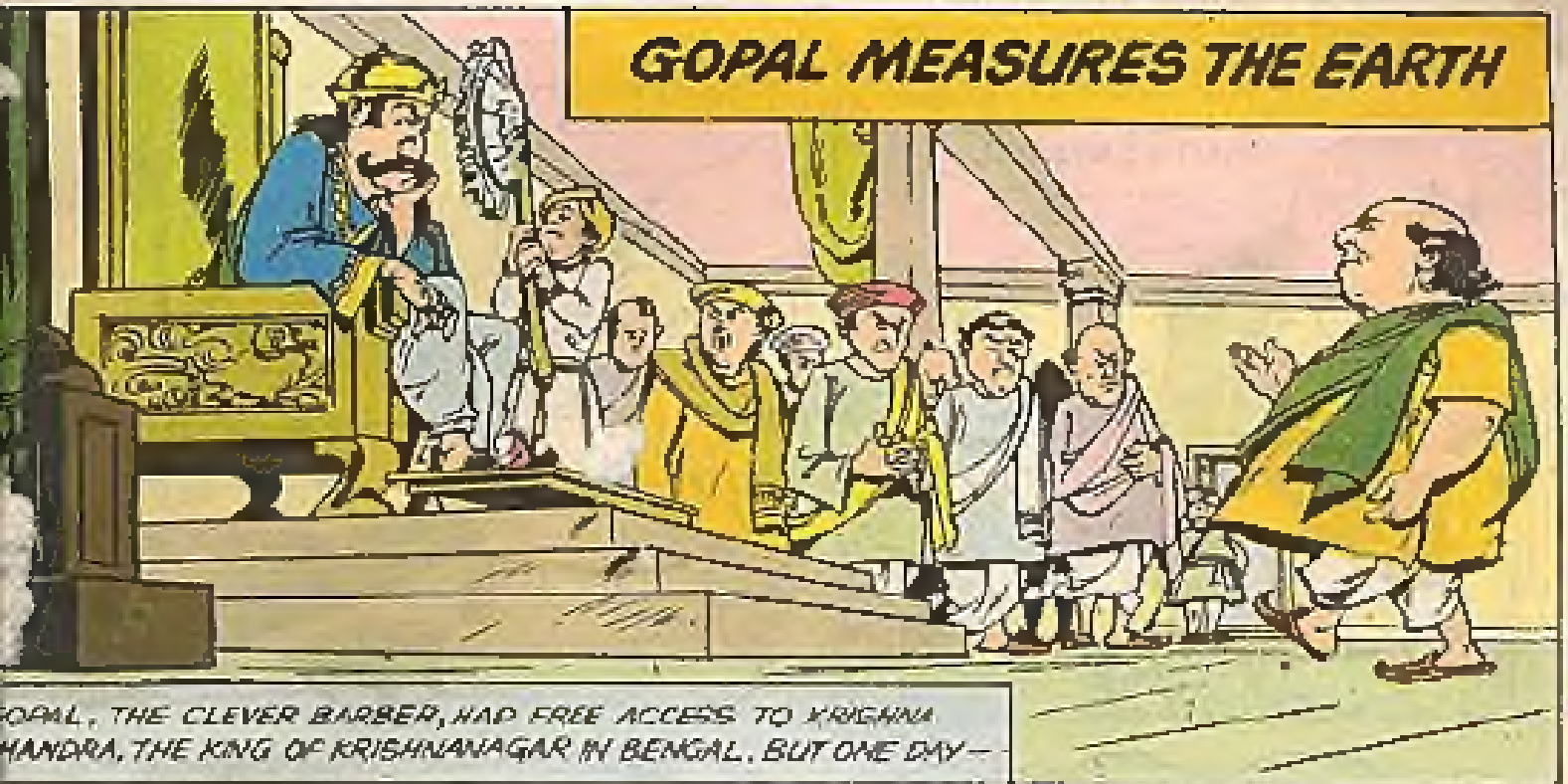
GOPAL THE JESTER

THE CLEVER BARBER OF KRISHNANAGAR



Painted by
Anand Kumar

GOPAL MEASURES THE EARTH



GOPAL, THE CLEVER BARBER, HAD FREE ACCESS TO KRISHNA MANDRA, THE KING OF KRISHNANAGAR IN BENGAL. BUT ONE DAY —



THE KING DOES NOT WISH TO SEE YOU.

THEN I MUST SEE HIM.



I'M HERE, YOUR MAJESTY, YOUR MAJESTY?



DON'T BOTHER ME NOW, GOPAL. I'M WORRIED.



KINGS DON'T WORRY, YOUR MAJESTY! THEY PAY PEOPLE TO DO IT FOR THEM.

शिवम पाडिया

कपूर कुमार पाडिया शिवम पाडिया

DON'T WORRY, YOUR MAJESTY!
JUST PRAY TO MOTHER KALI LIKE
THE FRIEND I DROPPED IN TO
SEE THIS MORNING. HE WAS
GROANING WITH PAIN
WHEN I ENTERED.



WHAT'S WRONG
WITH YOU?

IT'S MY
STOMACH! I'VE
TRIED EVERY-
THING. OOH!
AAH!



HAVE YOU TRIED
PRAYING TO
MOTHER
KALI?

NO!
NO, I
HAVEN'T.



MOTHER KALI,
PLEASE CURE ME.
I'LL GIVE YOU
A...A...BUFFALO!



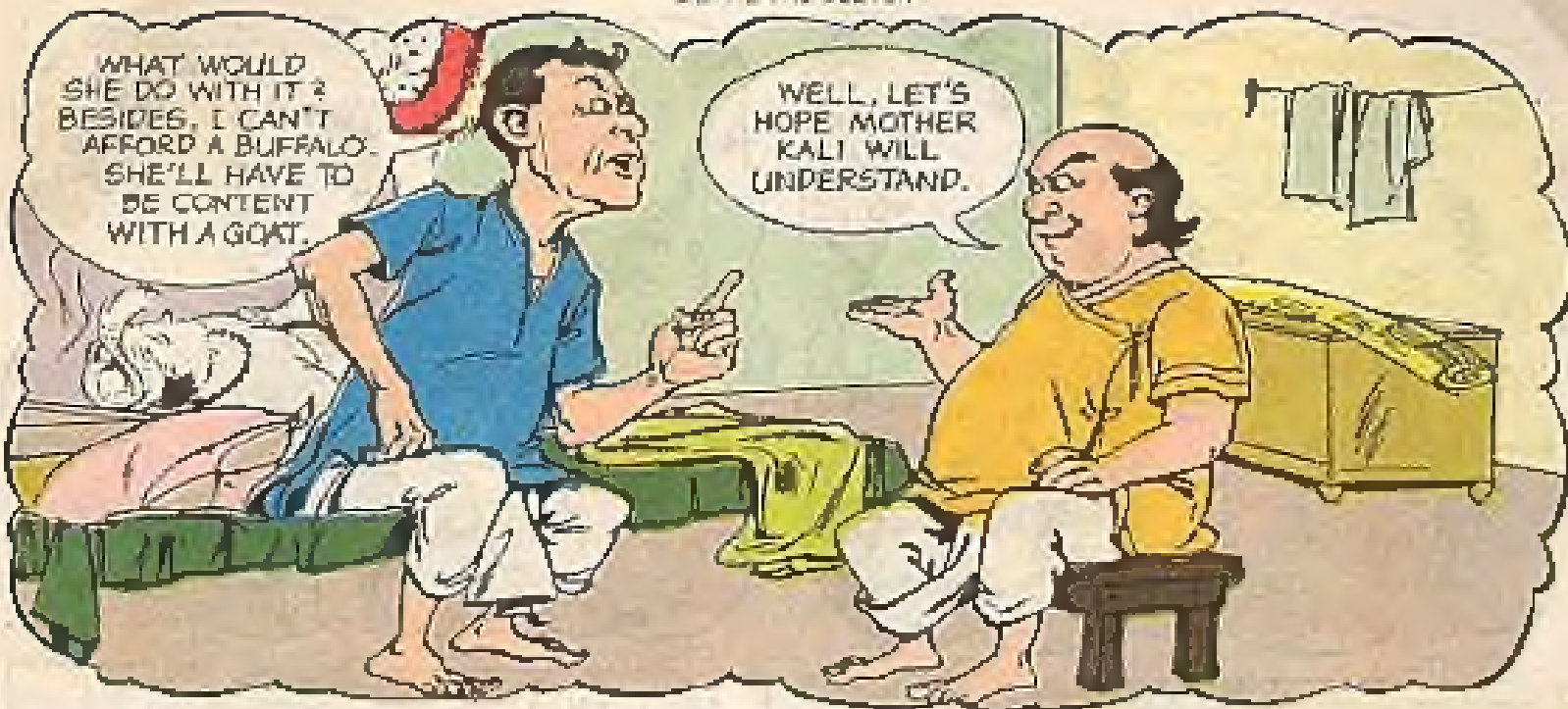
GOPAL, I FEEL
MUCH BETTER
ALREADY!

GOOD!
YOU'D BETTER
BUY
THAT
BUFFALO
NOW.

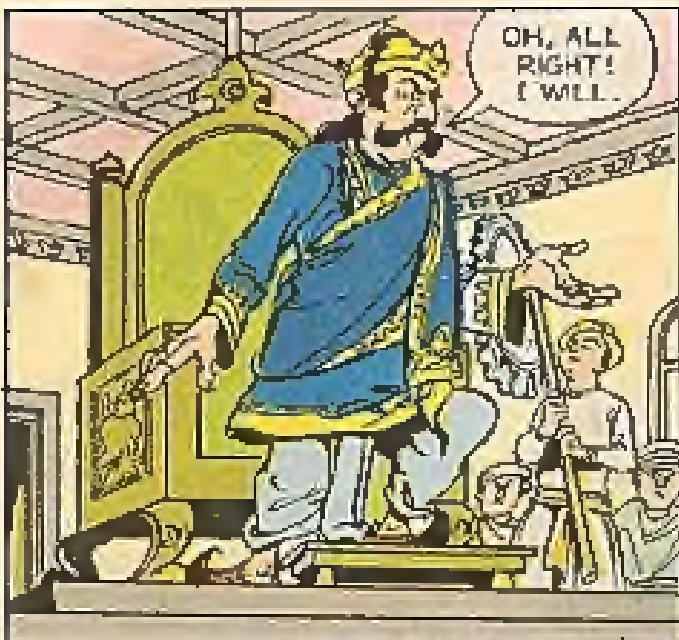


A BUFFALO?
FOR KALI? YOU
MUST BE
JOKING!









OH, ALL RIGHT!
I WILL...



THE NAWAB OF MURSHIDABAD HAS ORDERED ME TO GET SOMEONE TO MEASURE THE LENGTH AND BREADTH OF THE EARTH.

IS THAT ALL?

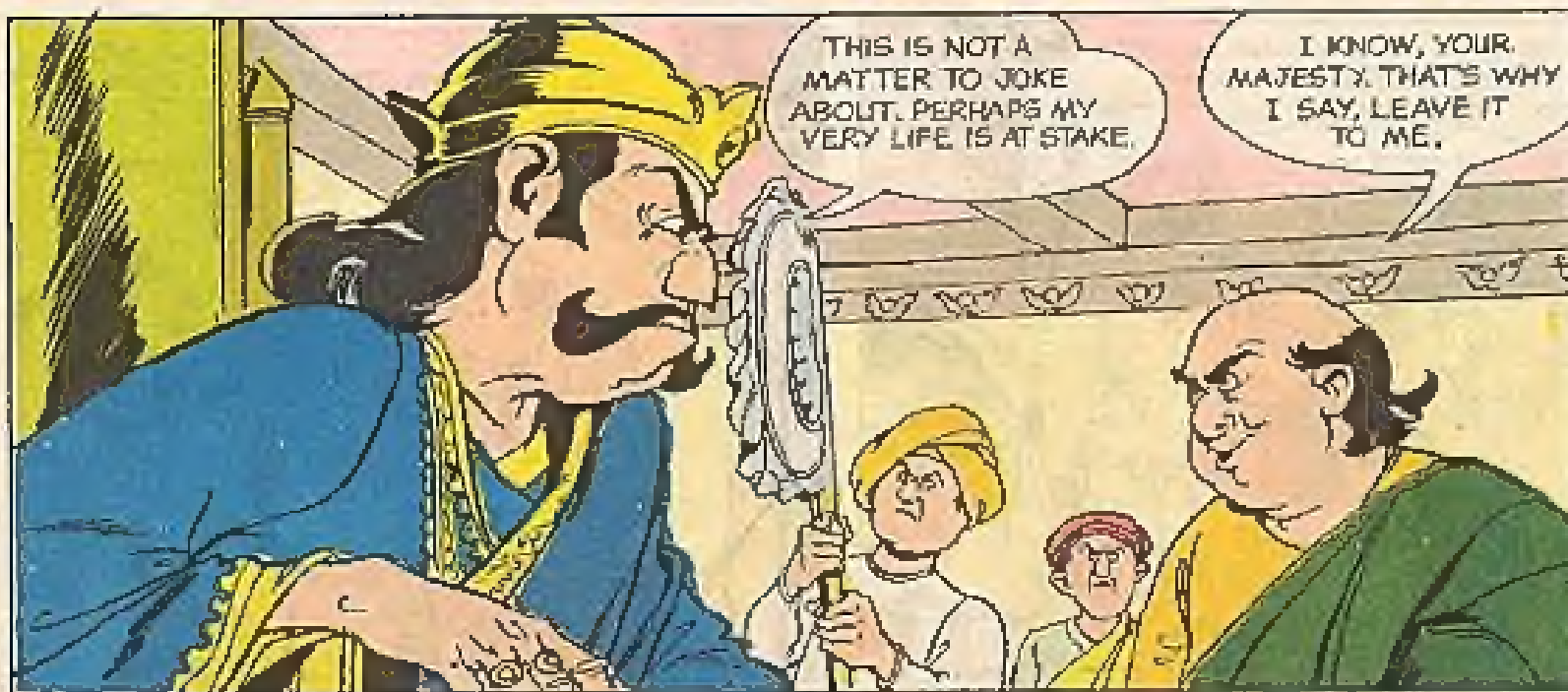


ALL? ALL! WHAT DO YOU MEAN IS THAT ALL? WHERE AM I TO FIND SOMEONE WHO WILL TAKE ON SUCH AN IMPOSSIBLE TASK?



RIGHT HERE, YOUR MAJESTY. I'LL DO IT FOR YOU.

DON'T TRY MY PATIENCE, GOPAL!



THIS IS NOT A MATTER TO JOKE ABOUT. PERHAPS MY VERY LIFE IS AT STAKE.

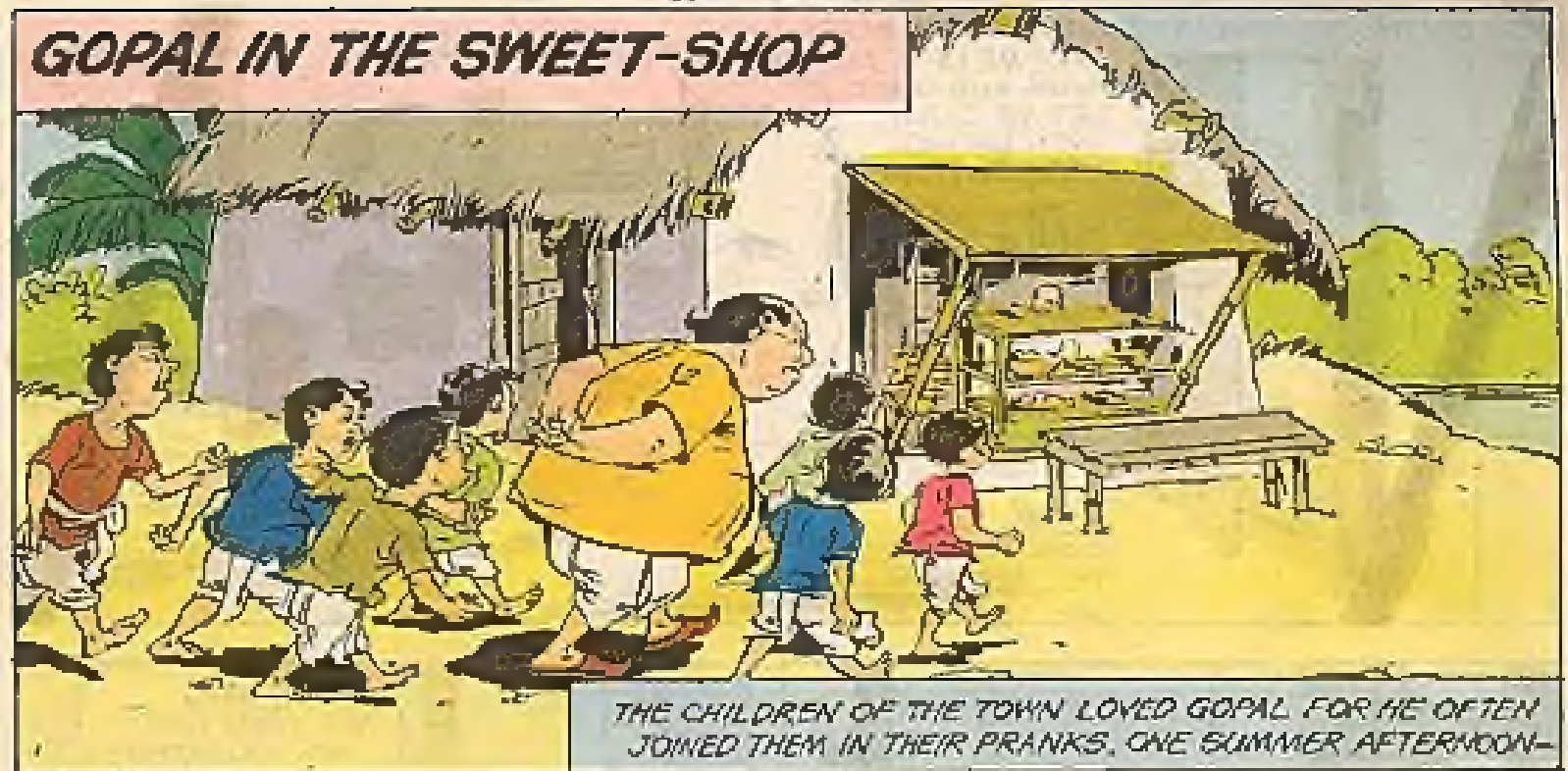
I KNOW, YOUR MAJESTY. THAT'S WHY I SAY, LEAVE IT TO ME.







GOPAL IN THE SWEET-SHOP



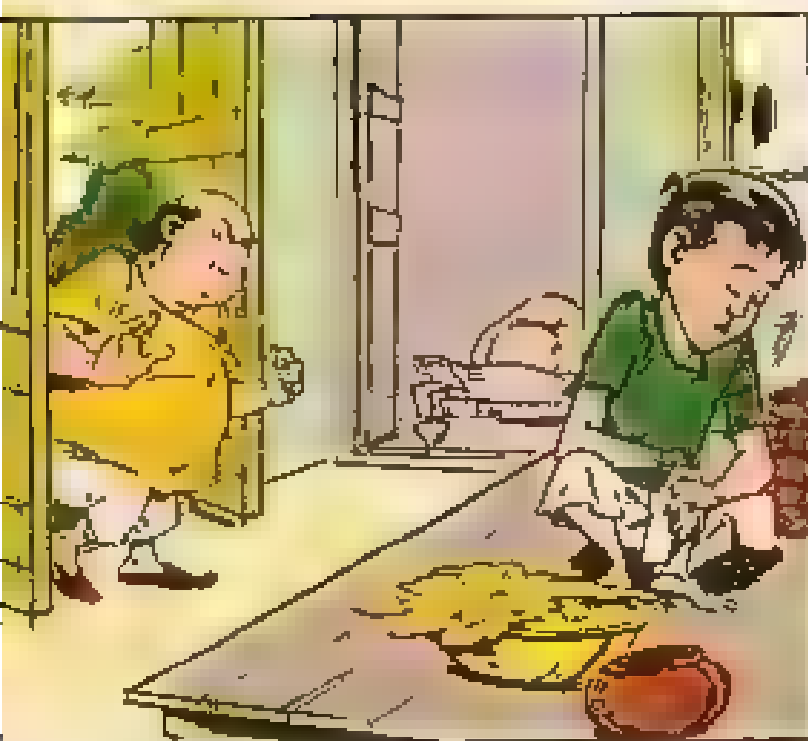
THE CHILDREN OF THE TOWN LOVED GOPAL FOR HE OFTEN JOINED THEM IN THEIR PRANKS. ONE SUMMER AFTERNOON-

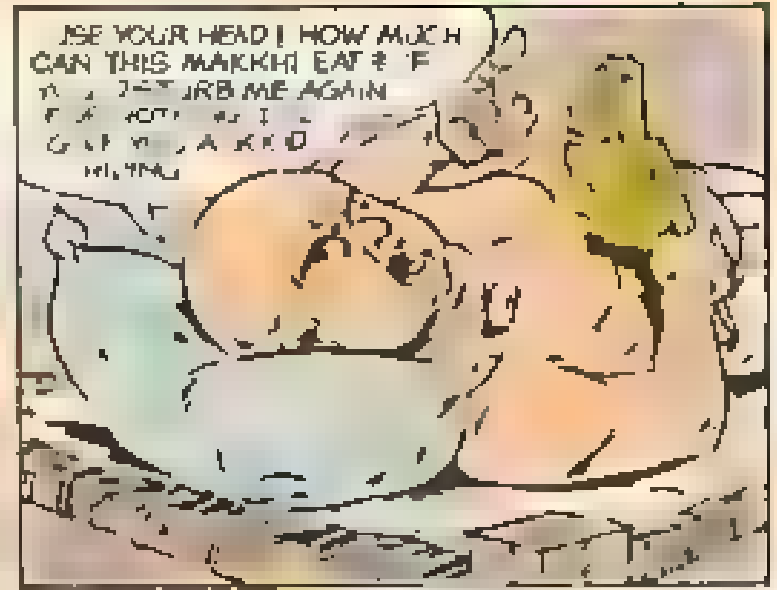
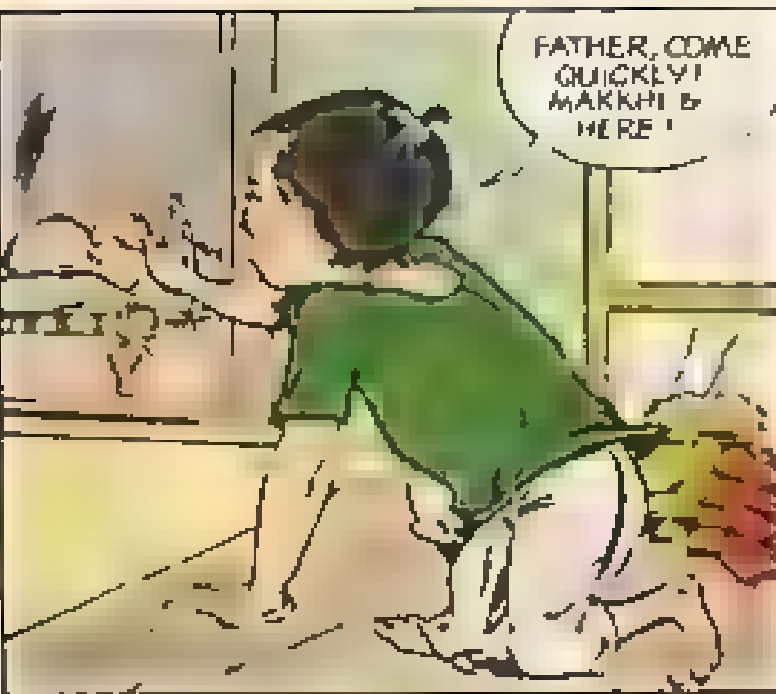


TRUE ENOUGH, IT WAS

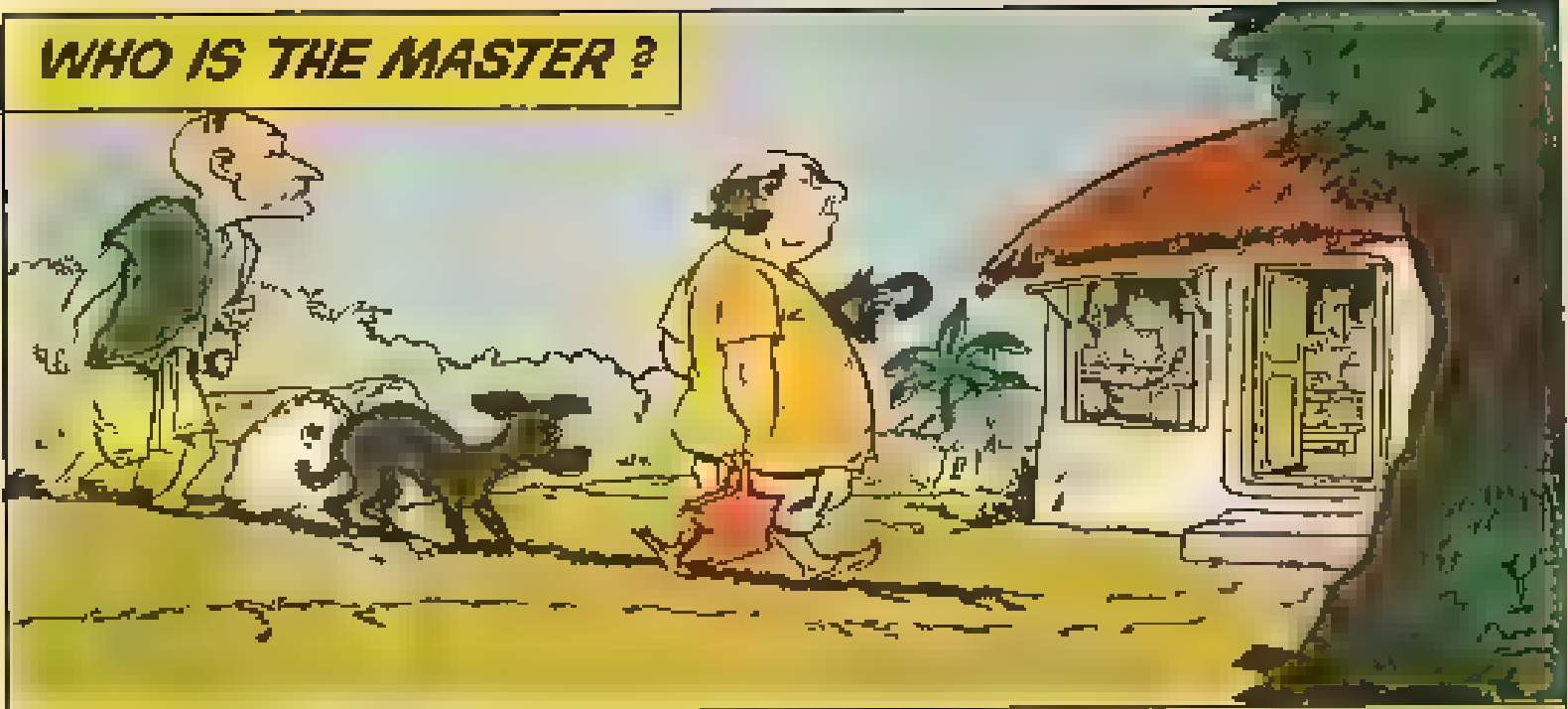
I AM GOING IN FOR A NAP.
WAKE ME UP IF ANYONE
COMES AND DON'T
LET ME CATCH
YOU EATING
THE SWEETS!

YES,
FATHER.

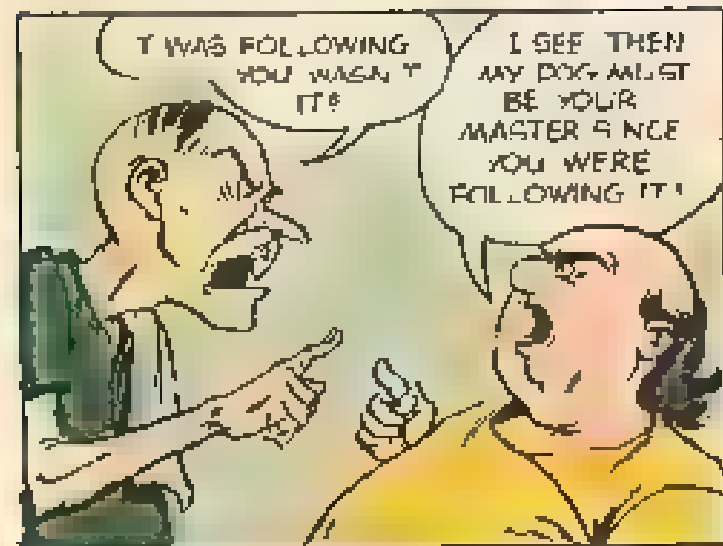




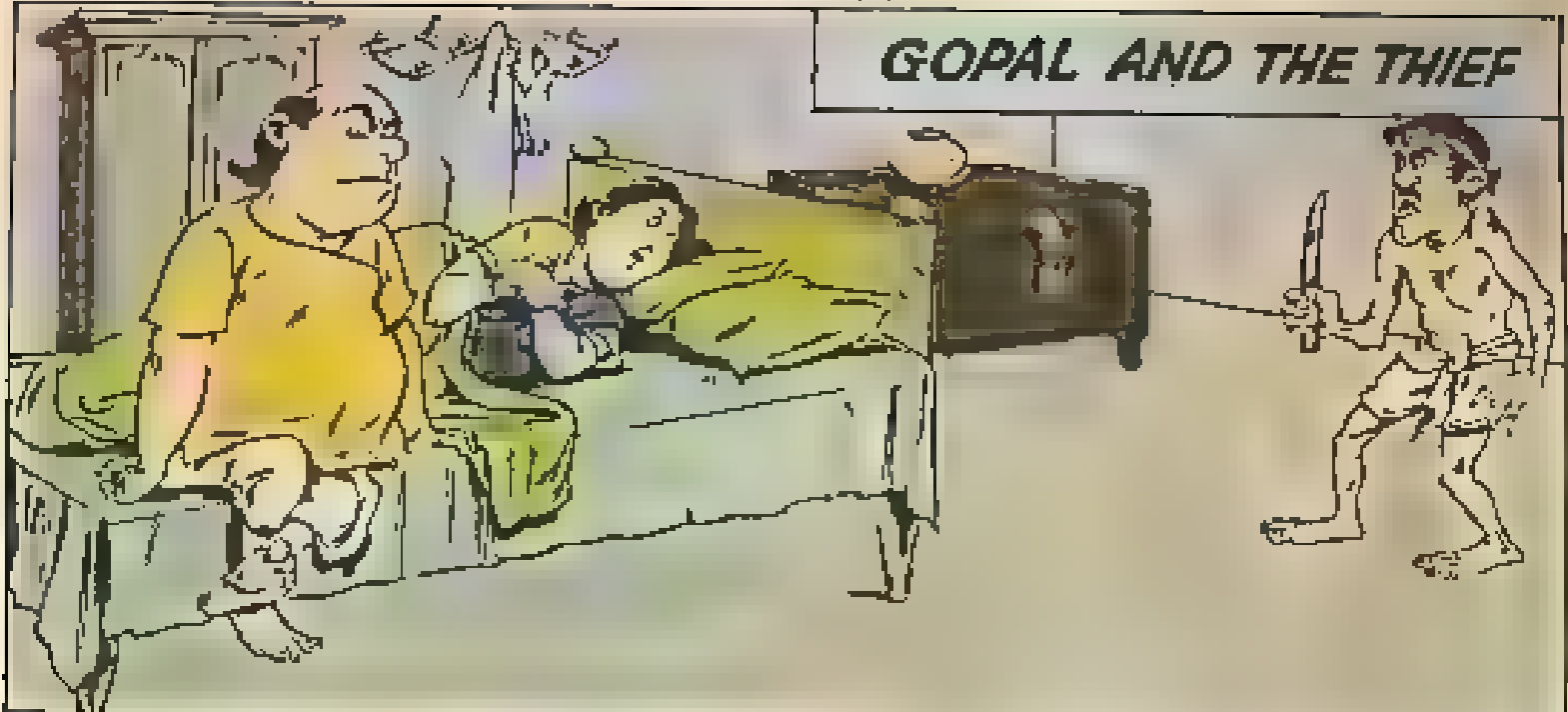
WHO IS THE MASTER ?



ONE DAY GOPAL WAS ABOUT TO ENTER A SHOP WHEN THE SHOPKEEPER CAME UP BEHIND HIM



GOPAL AND THE THIEF



ONE NIGHT A THIEF BROKE INTO GOPAL'S HOUSE

HAND OVER ALL YOUR
GOLD ORNAMENTS!
AND BE QUICK

T. TAKE WHATEVER
YOU WANT B. BUT
SPARE OUR LIVES.

JUST THEN THEY HEARD A SOUND

WHAT'S
THAT?

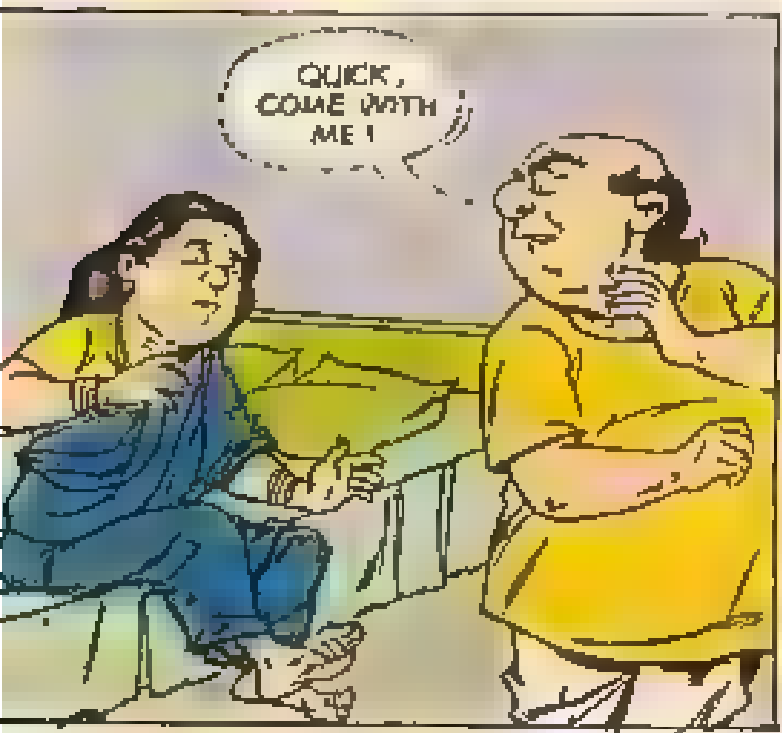
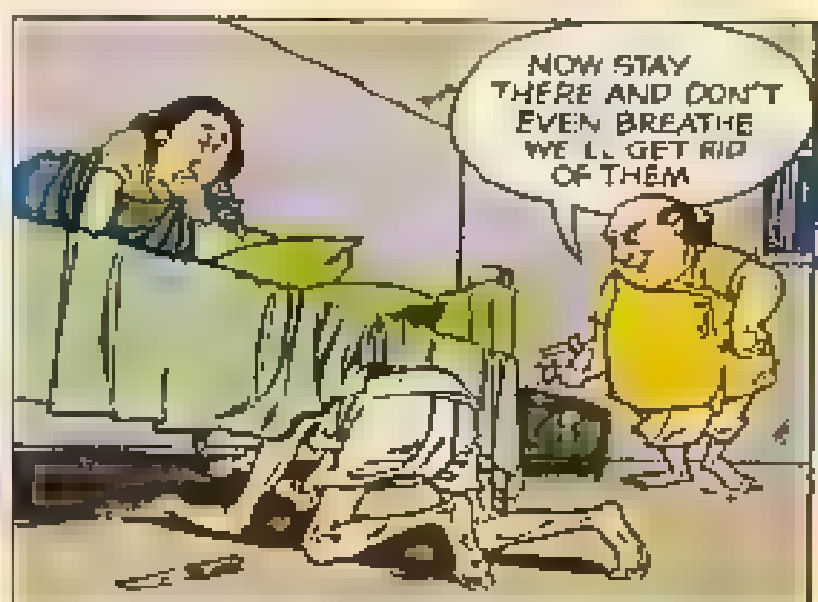
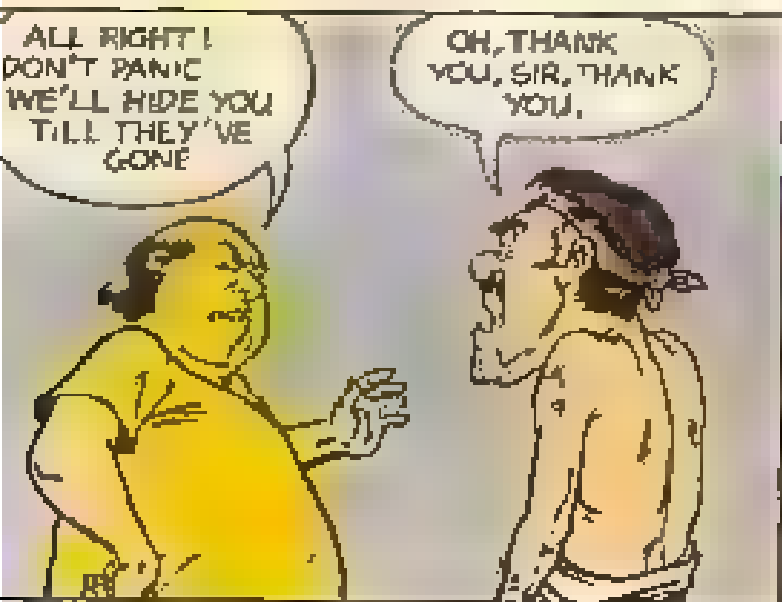
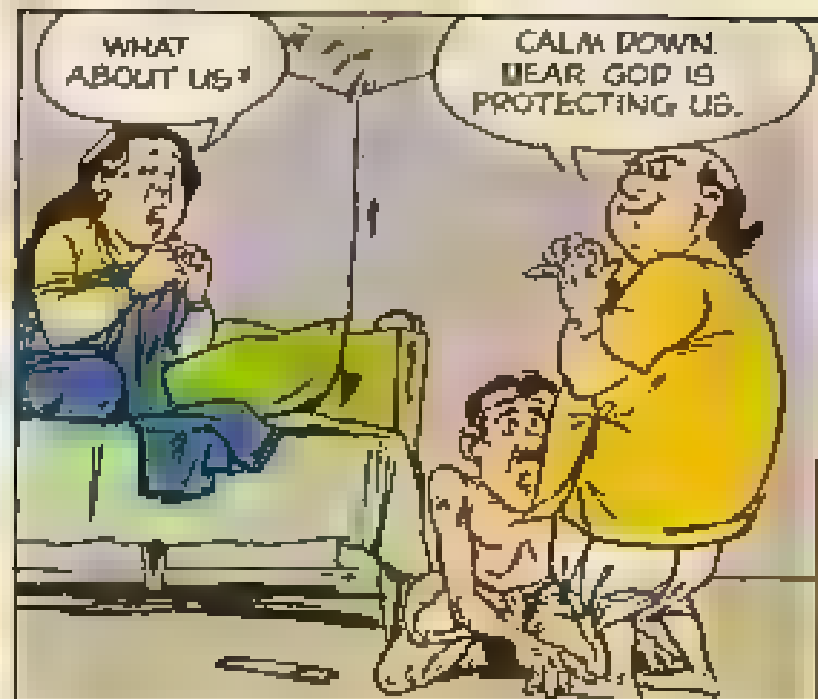
IT MUST BE
ANOTHER THIEF
TRYING TO
BREAK IN.

WHO
IS T?

HUSH!
QUIET!

WHAT'S THE
MATTER? YOU
LOOK WORRIED

I'M DONE
FOR IT'S A
GANG OF
DAGGITS



GOPAL LEFT BY THE FRONT DOOR

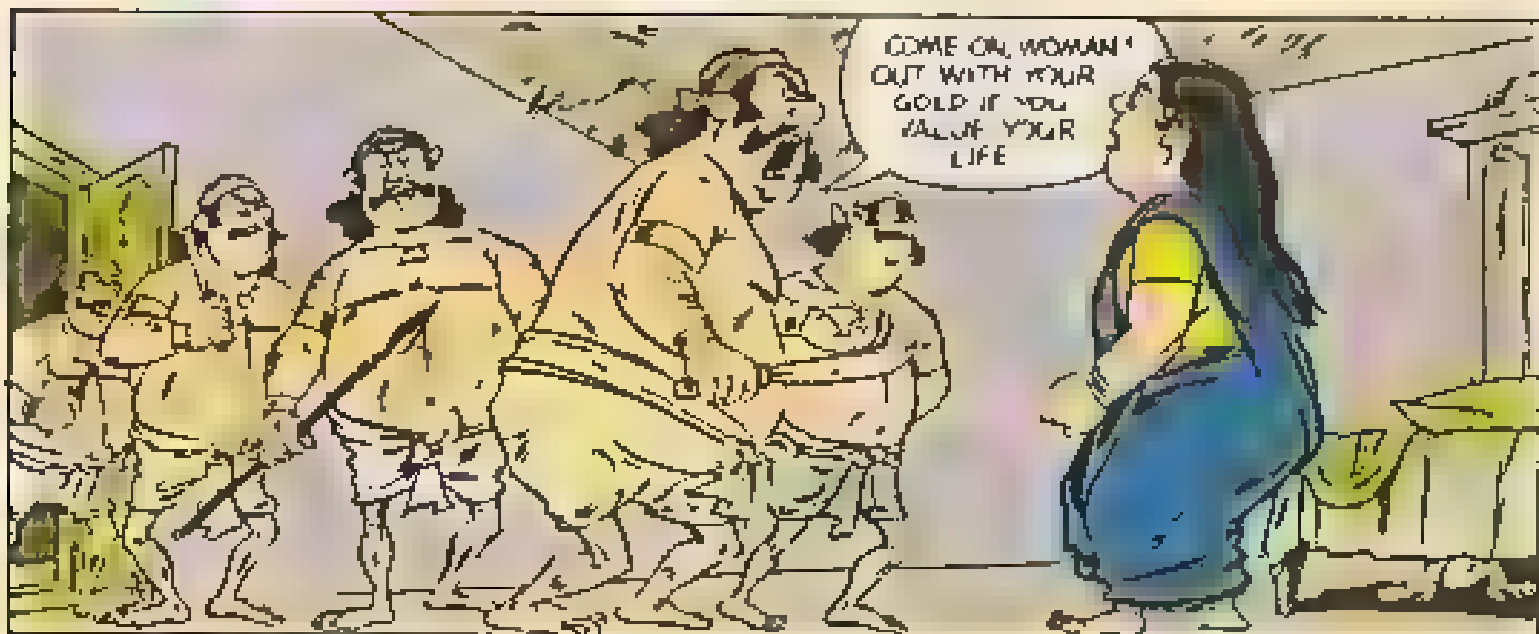
PLEASE
COME BACK
SOON

I WILL NOT
FORGET TO DO
EXACTLY AS I'VE
TOLD YOU

EVEN AS GOPAL'S WIFE CLOSED THE FRONT DOOR THE
DACOTS BROKE IN THROUGH THE BACK DOOR



COME ON, WOMAN!
OUT WITH YOUR
GOLD IF YOU
VALUE YOUR
LIFE



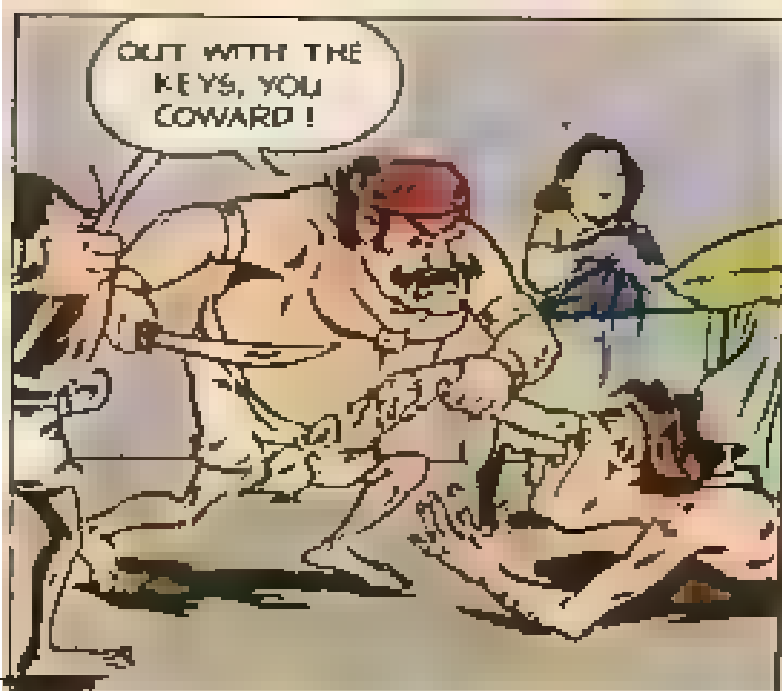
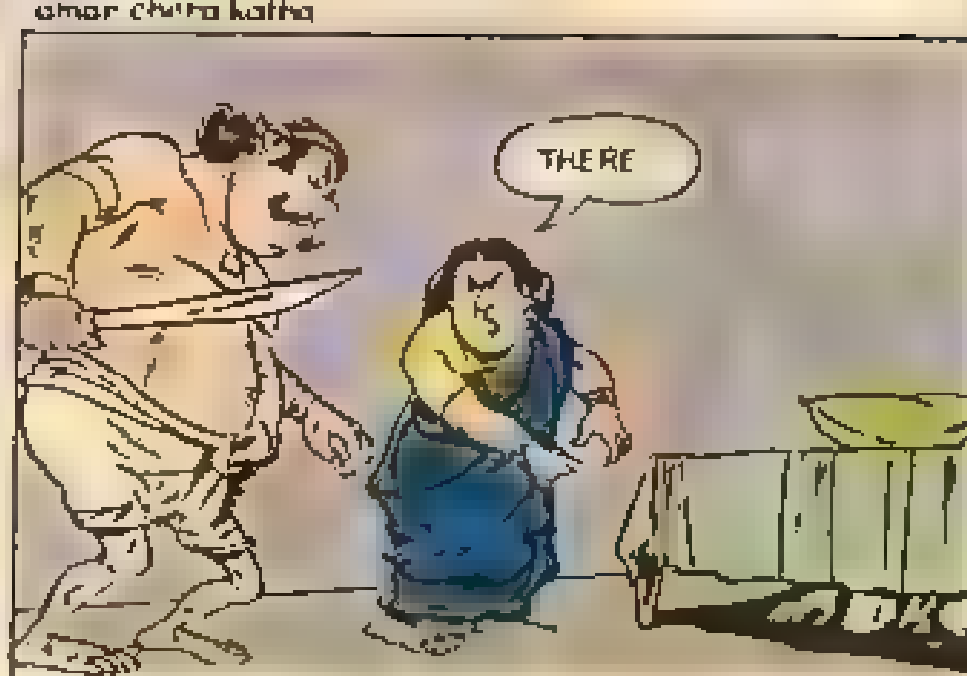
BUT BUT IT'S ALL
LOCKED UP.

WHERE
ARE THE
KEYS?



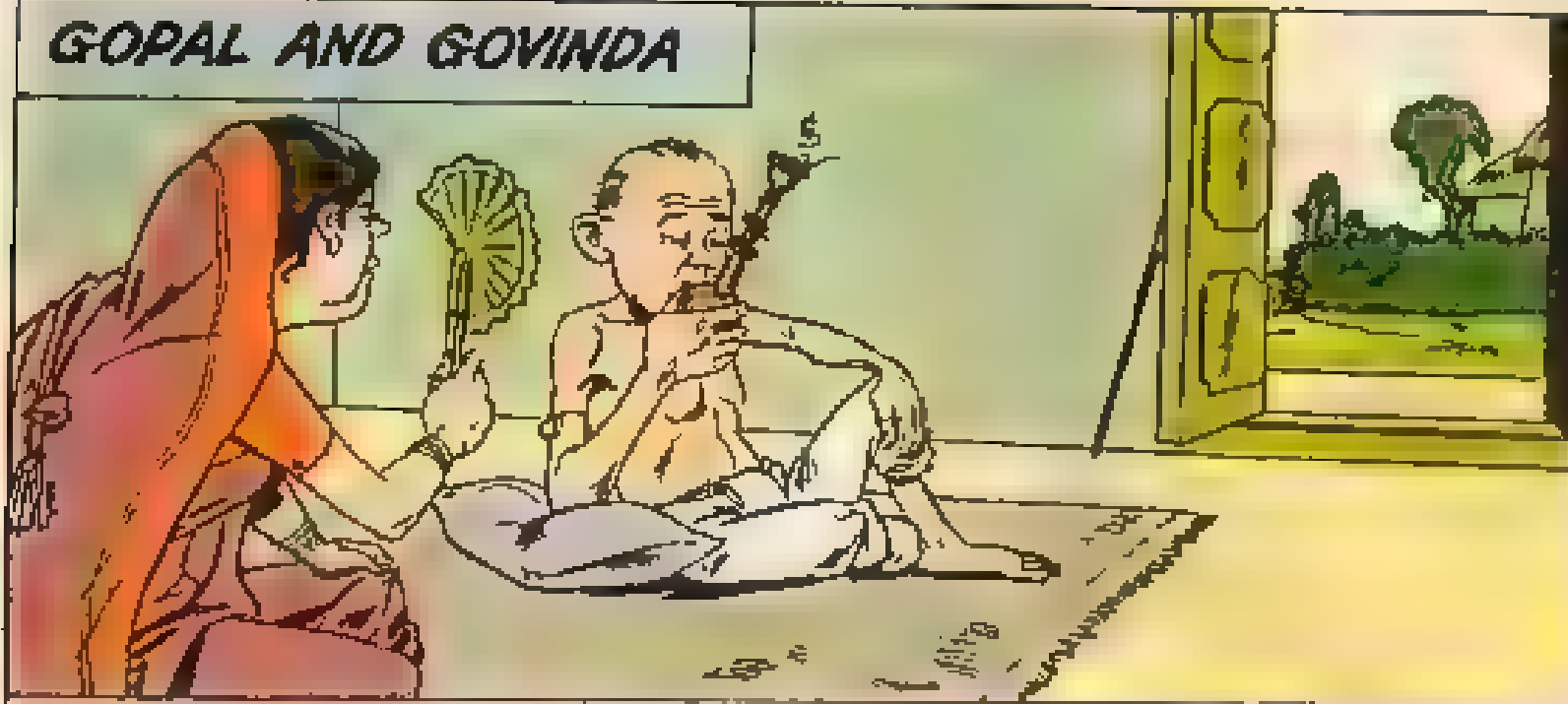
WITH
WITH THE
MASTER!



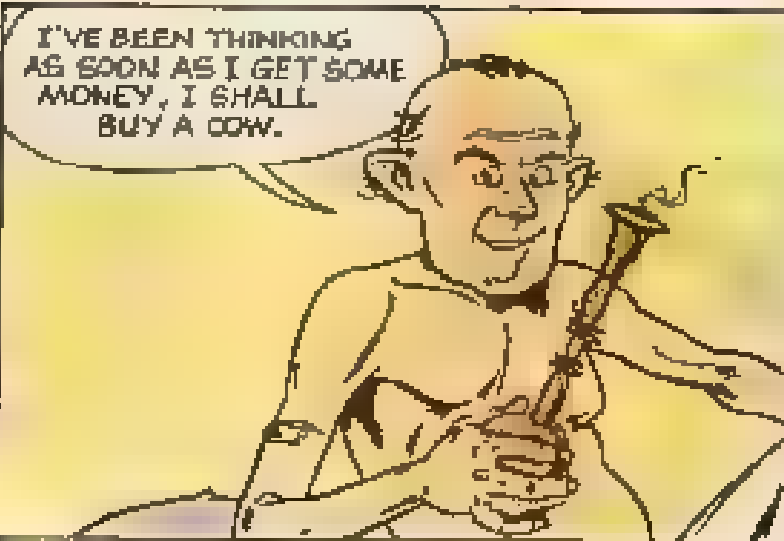




GOPAL AND GOVINDA



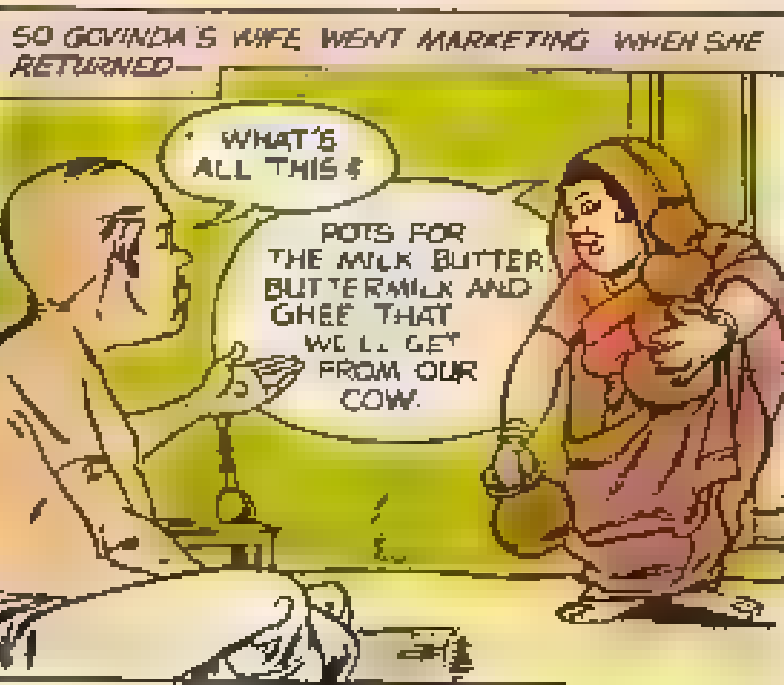
GOPAL'S NEIGHBOUR, GOVINDA, WAS ALWAYS DAY DREAMING AND HIS WIFE KEPT PACE WITH HIM.



I'VE BEEN THINKING AS SOON AS I GET SOME MONEY, I SHALL BUY A COW.



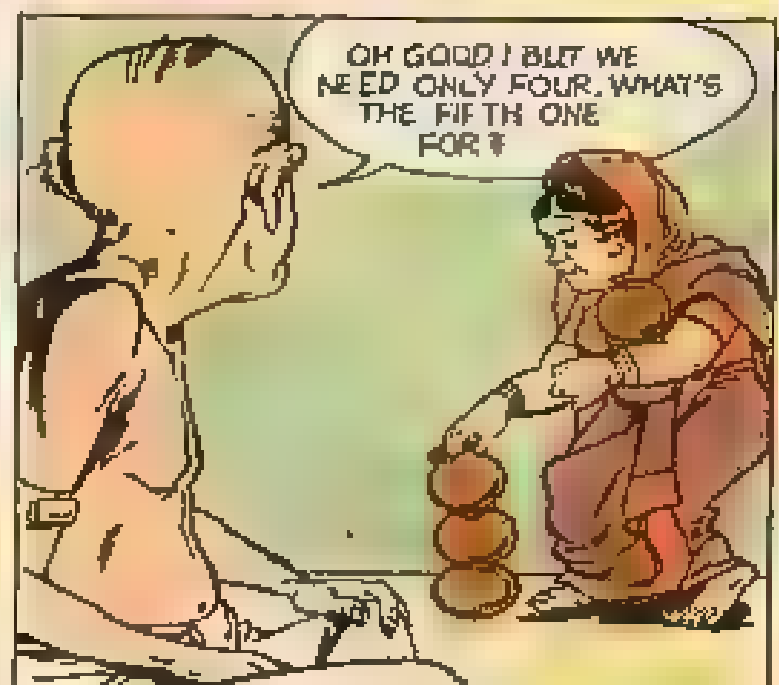
THEN WE'RE SOON GOING TO NEED EXTRA POTS. I'D BETTER GO OUT AND BUY SOME



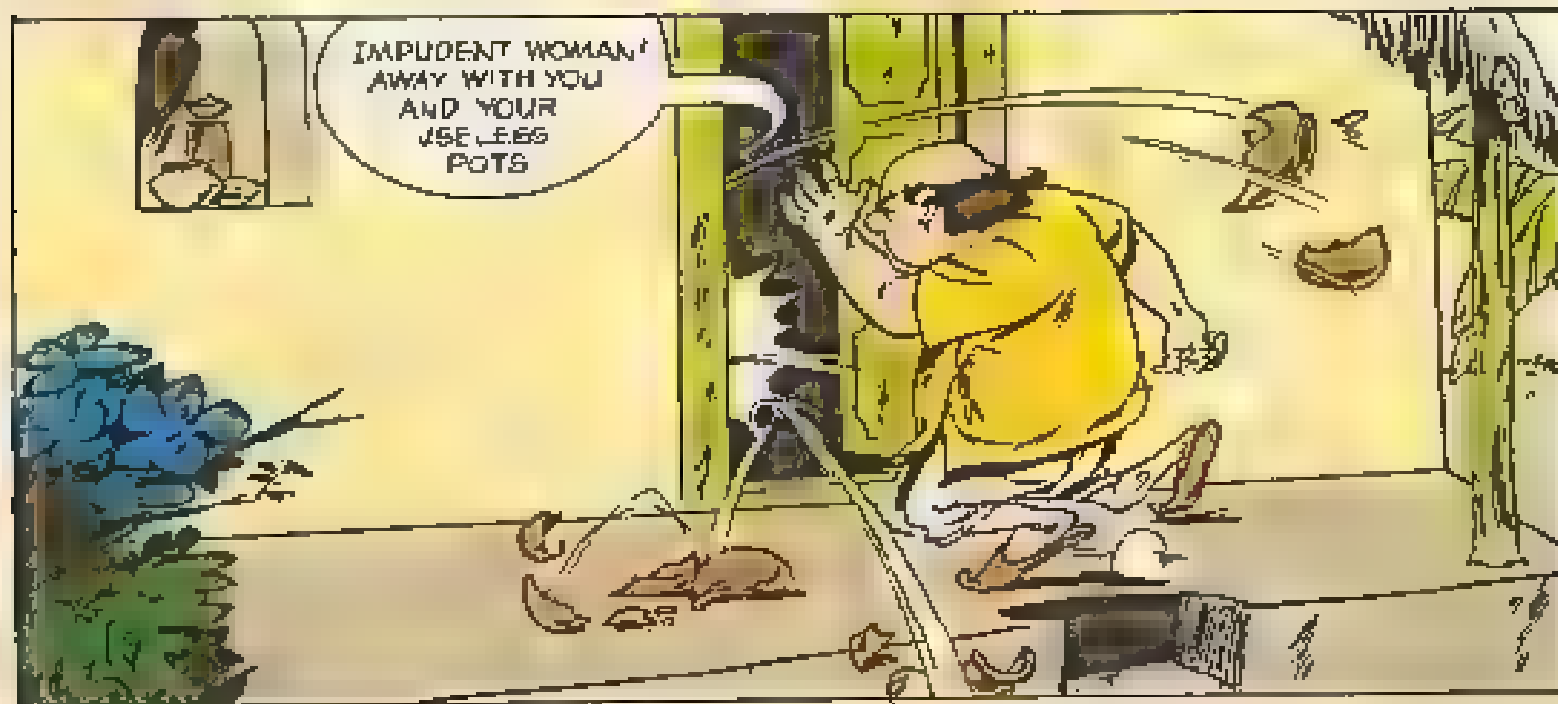
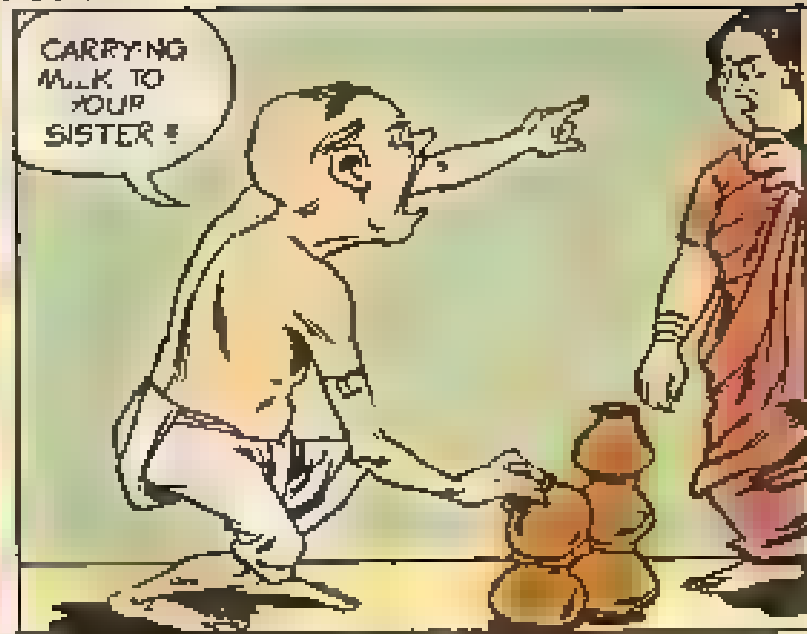
SO GOVINDA'S WIFE WENT MARKETING WHEN SHE RETURNED—

WHAT'S ALL THIS?

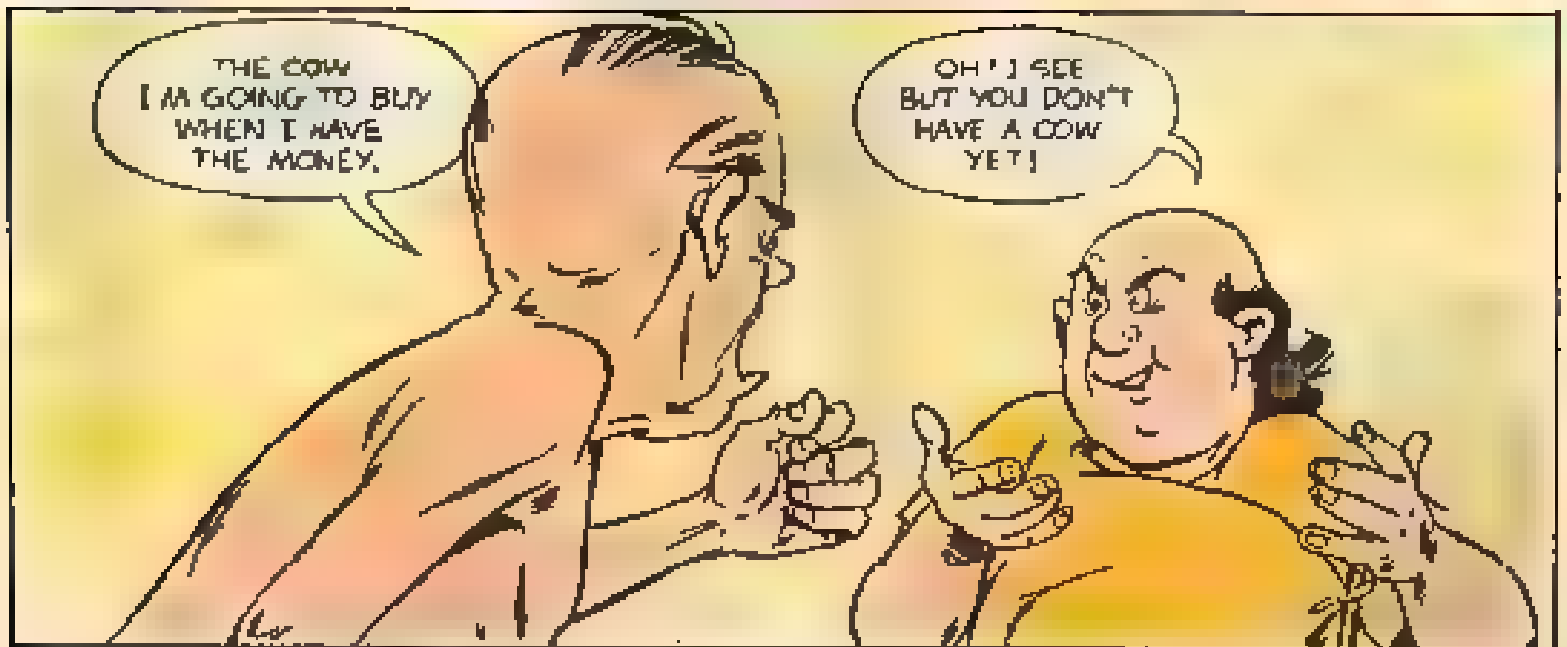
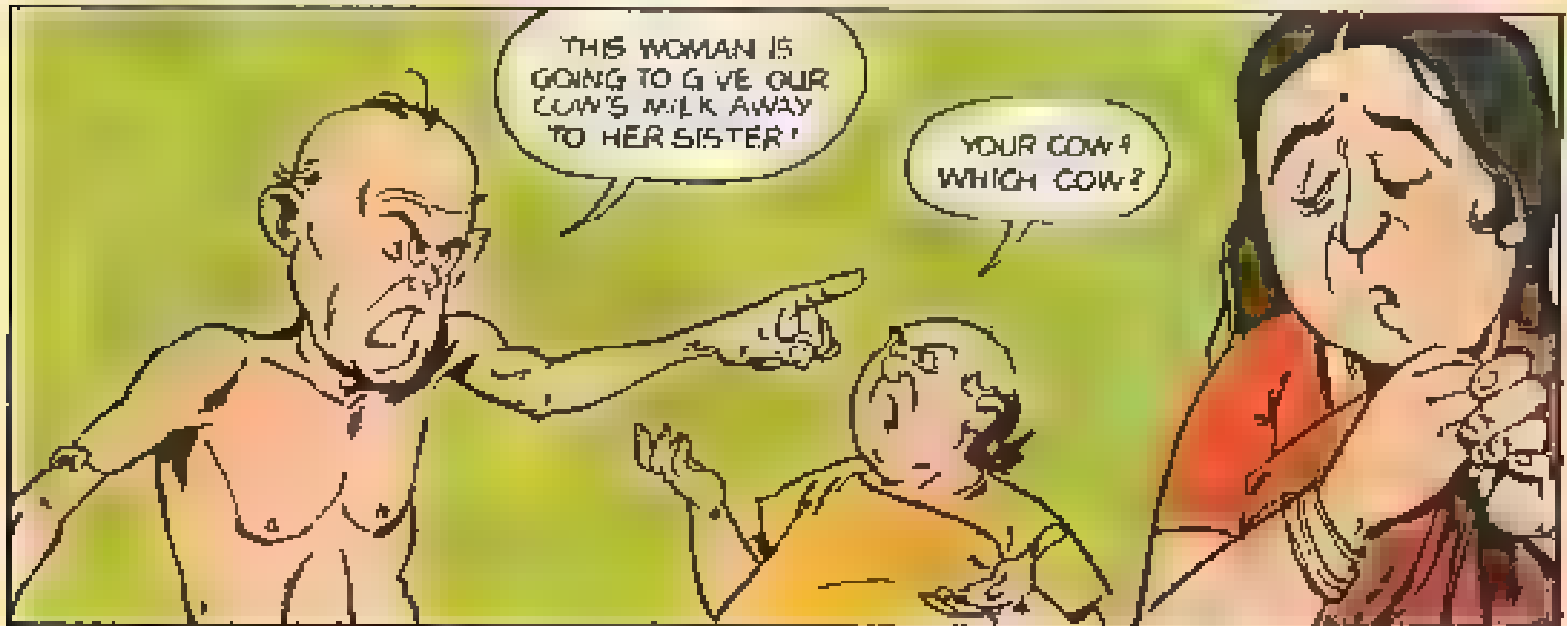
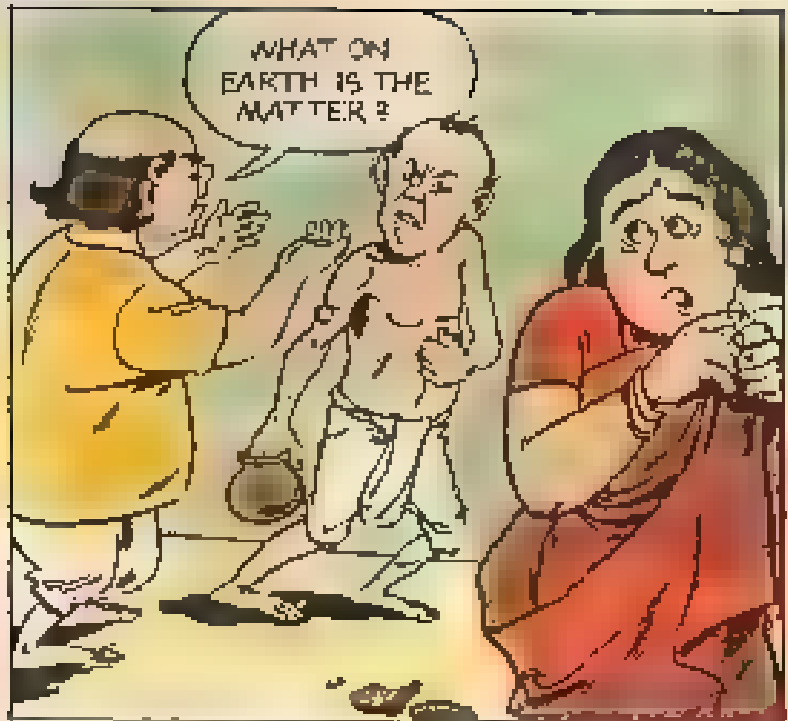
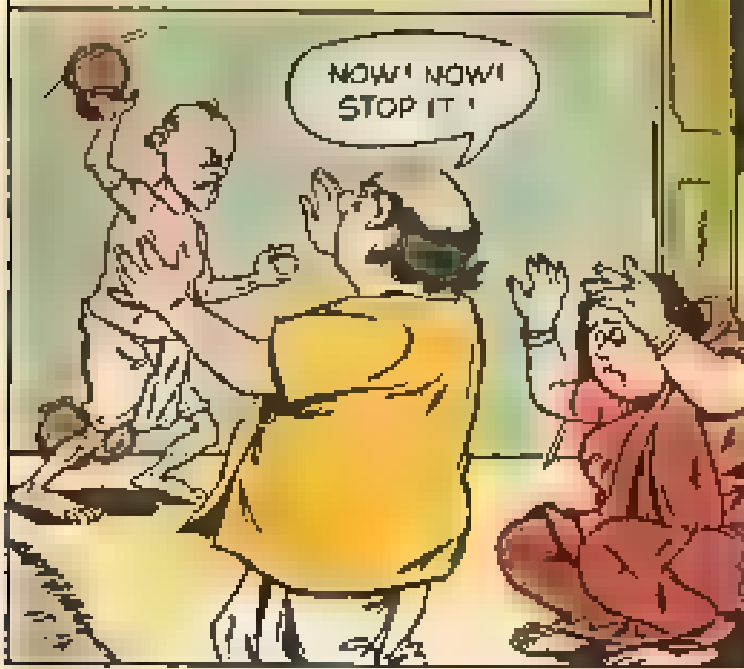
POTS FOR THE MILK BUTTER, BUTTERMILK AND GHEE THAT WE'LL GET FROM OUR COW.

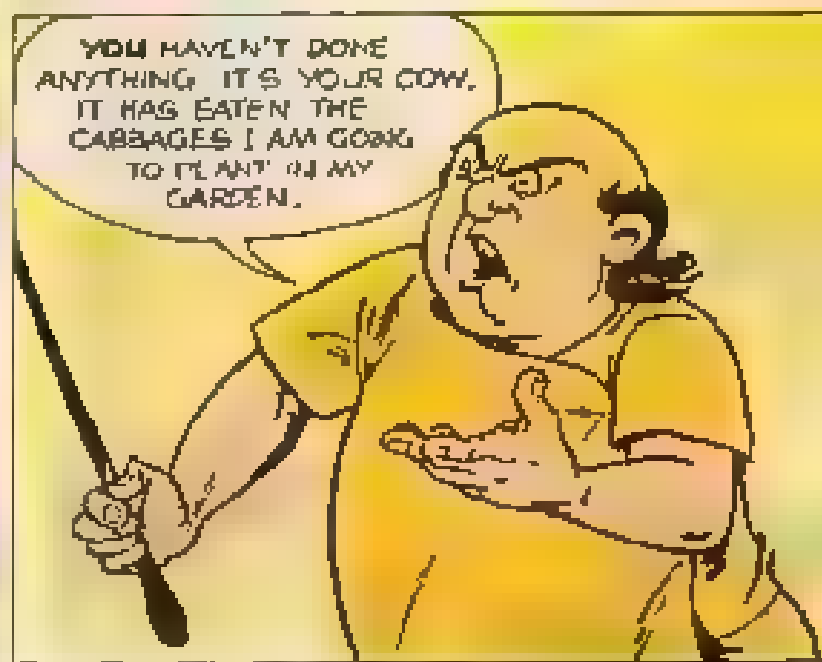
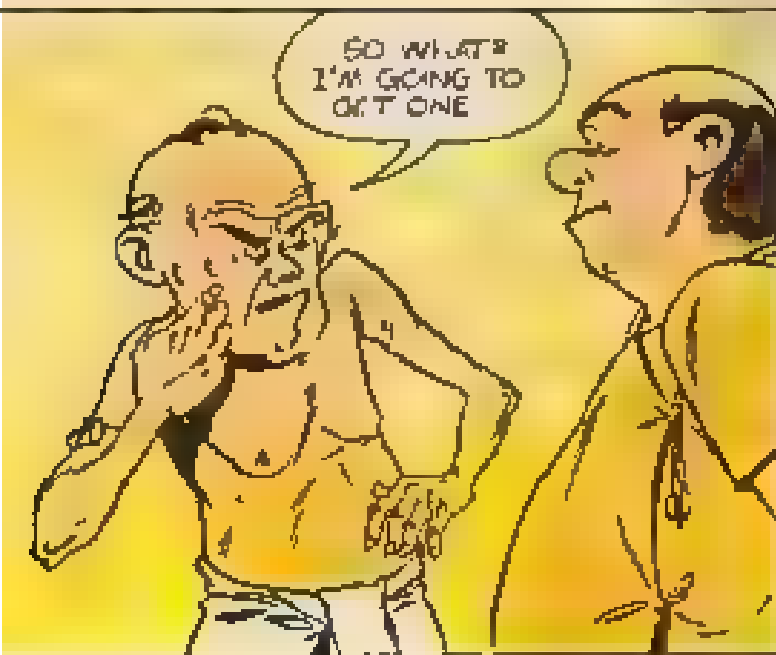


OH GOOD! BUT WE NEED ONLY FOUR. WHAT'S THE FIFTH ONE FOR?



GOPAL RUSHED INTO GOVINDA'S HOUSE





GOPAL AND THE HILSA-FISH



THAT THE FISH WAS A HILSA FISH. HE HAD NEVER SEEN A HILSA FISH BEFORE.



THEY WERE ALL VERY INTERESTED IN THE FISH.

THEY ALL WANTED TO SEE IT.



HOUSEHOLDERS COULD TALK OF NOTHING BUT HILSA-FISH.

HOW WOULD THEY FEEL IN THAT MOMENT?

HOW WOULD THEY FEEL IT FITTED YOU?



ALL IN THE VILLAGE THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT THE HILSA FISH.

YOUR MAJESTY, YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE HUGE HILSA I CAUGHT. IT WAS



THE COURTIER FELL SILENT WITH DOWNCAST EYES,
THE KING FELT GUILTY



A FEW DAYS LATER—

WHY IS YOUR
~~FACE~~
HALF SHAVEN?

I'M DRESSING
UP TO BUY
A FISH



WHAT'S THE
MATTER WITH YOU?
WHY ARE YOU SMEARING
YOURSELF WITH
ASH?

I TOLD YOU—
I'M DRESSING UP
TO BUY A HILSA
FISH

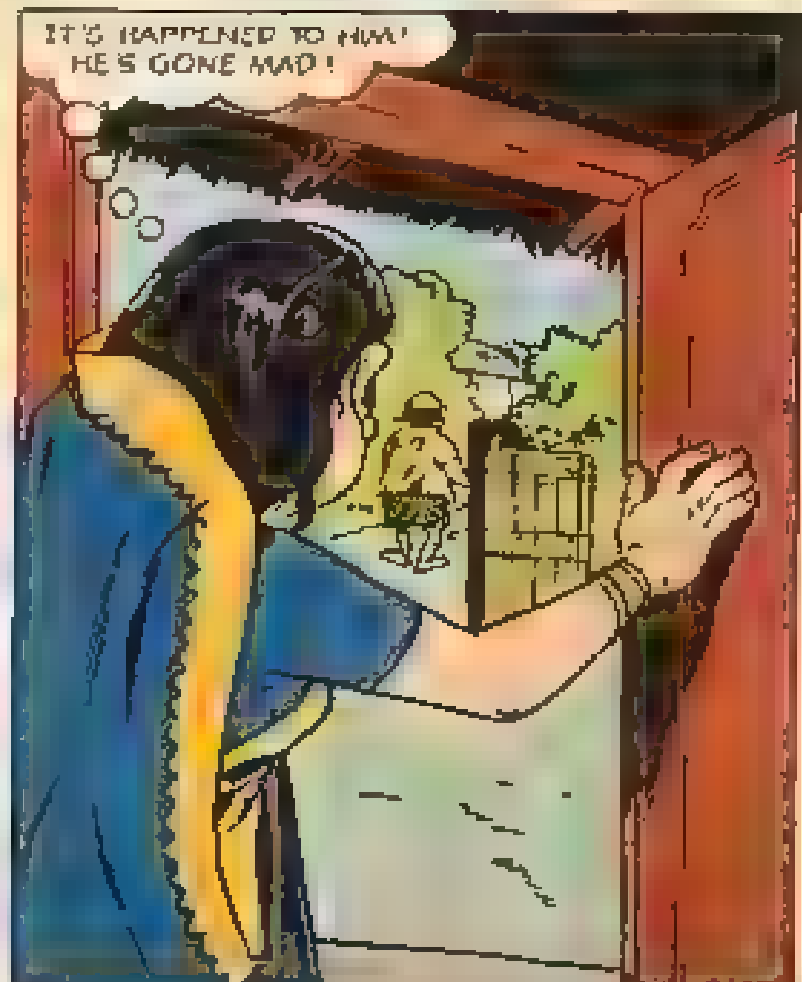


LISTEN TO ME!
PLEASE YOU CAN'T
POSSIBLY GO OUT IN
THOSE DISGRACEFUL
RAGS! WHAT ARE
YOU UP TO?

HOW MANY TIMES
MUST I TELL YOU,
WOMAN? I AM OUT
TO BUY A HUGE
HILSA-FISH



IT'S HAPPENED TO HIM!
HE'S GONE MAD!



LEON BOUGHT THE KUSA FISH AND STARTED WALKING TOWARDS THE PALACE

MOTHER LOOK AT THE MAN BUT HE COMICAL ?



HE MUST BE A MAD MAN

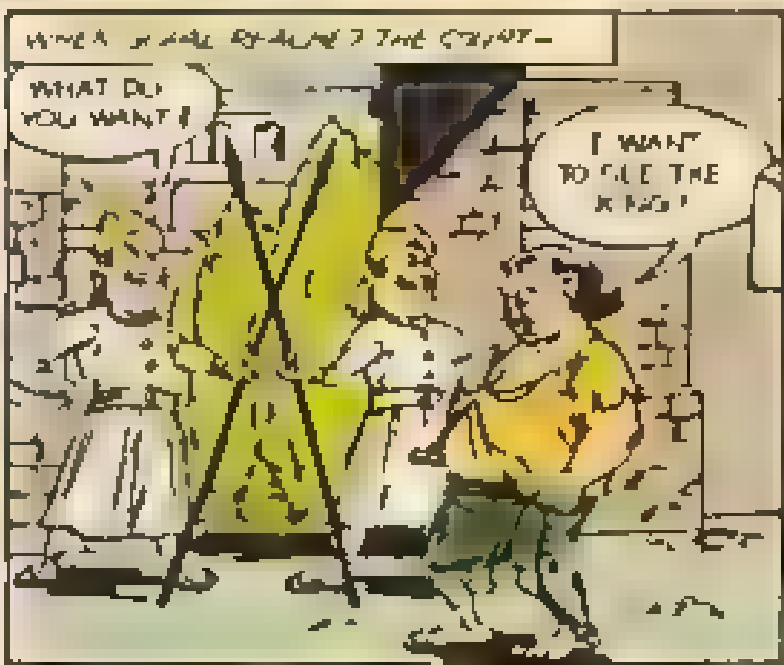
MUM I THINK HE'S A MYSTIC



WHEN I AM READING THE CHANT -

WHAT DO YOU WANT ?

I WANT TO SEE THE KING !



YOU CAN'T SEE THE KING WE'LL AWAY WITH YOU



GODAL BEGAN TO DANCE AND NO I DIDN'T



INSIDE THE PALACE

THE MAN
IS CRAZY!

THROW HIM
OUT AT ONCE!

I WANT TO
SEE THE KING.
LET ME IN!

BRING THAT
MAN TO ME
AT ONCE!

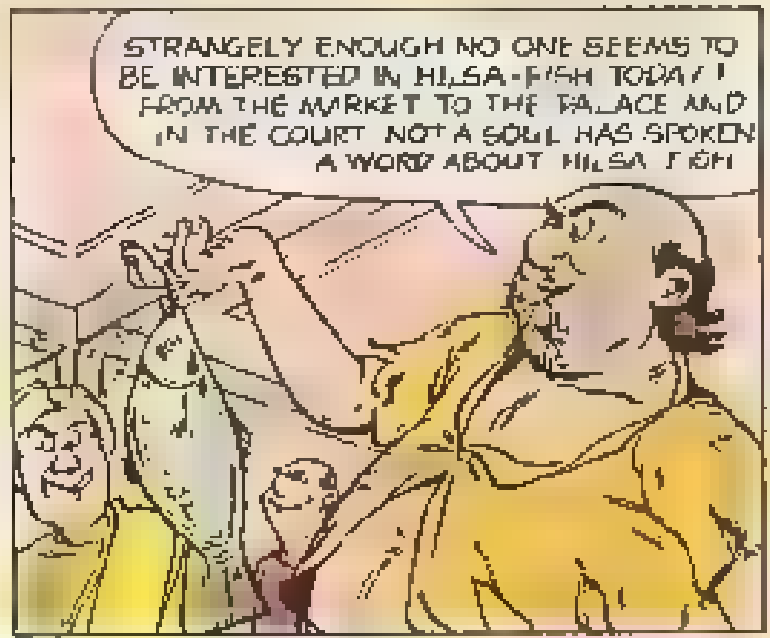
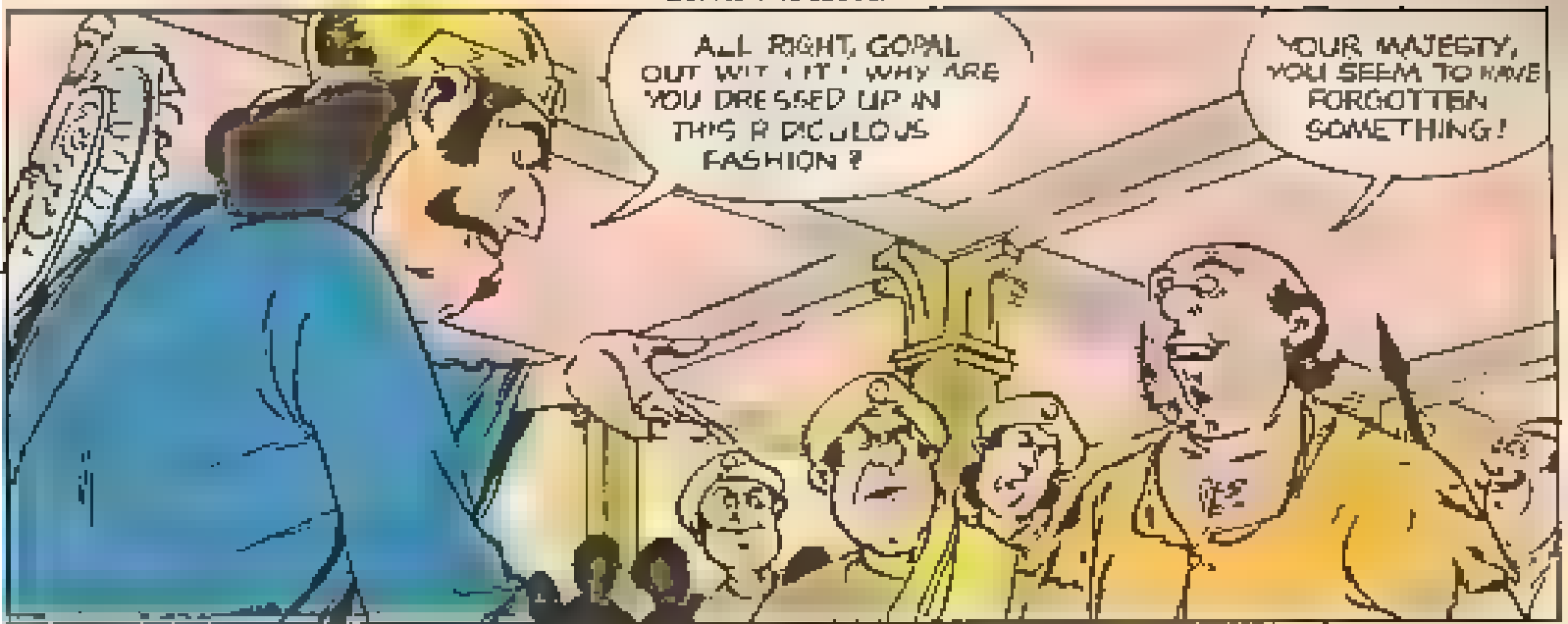
YES, YOUR
MAJESTY

GOPAL WAS BROUGHT BEFORE THE KING

IT'S
GOPAL!

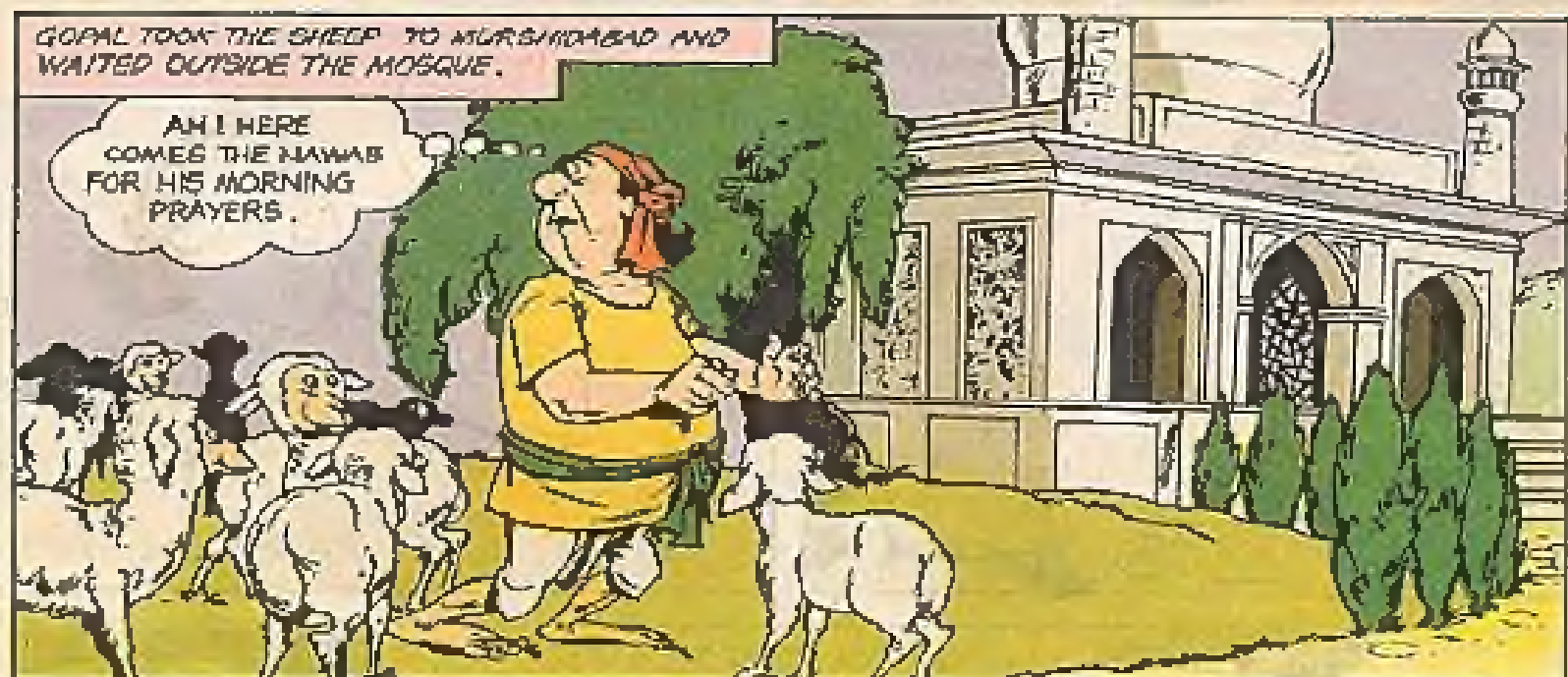
THE MAN
HAS LOST HIS
MIND!

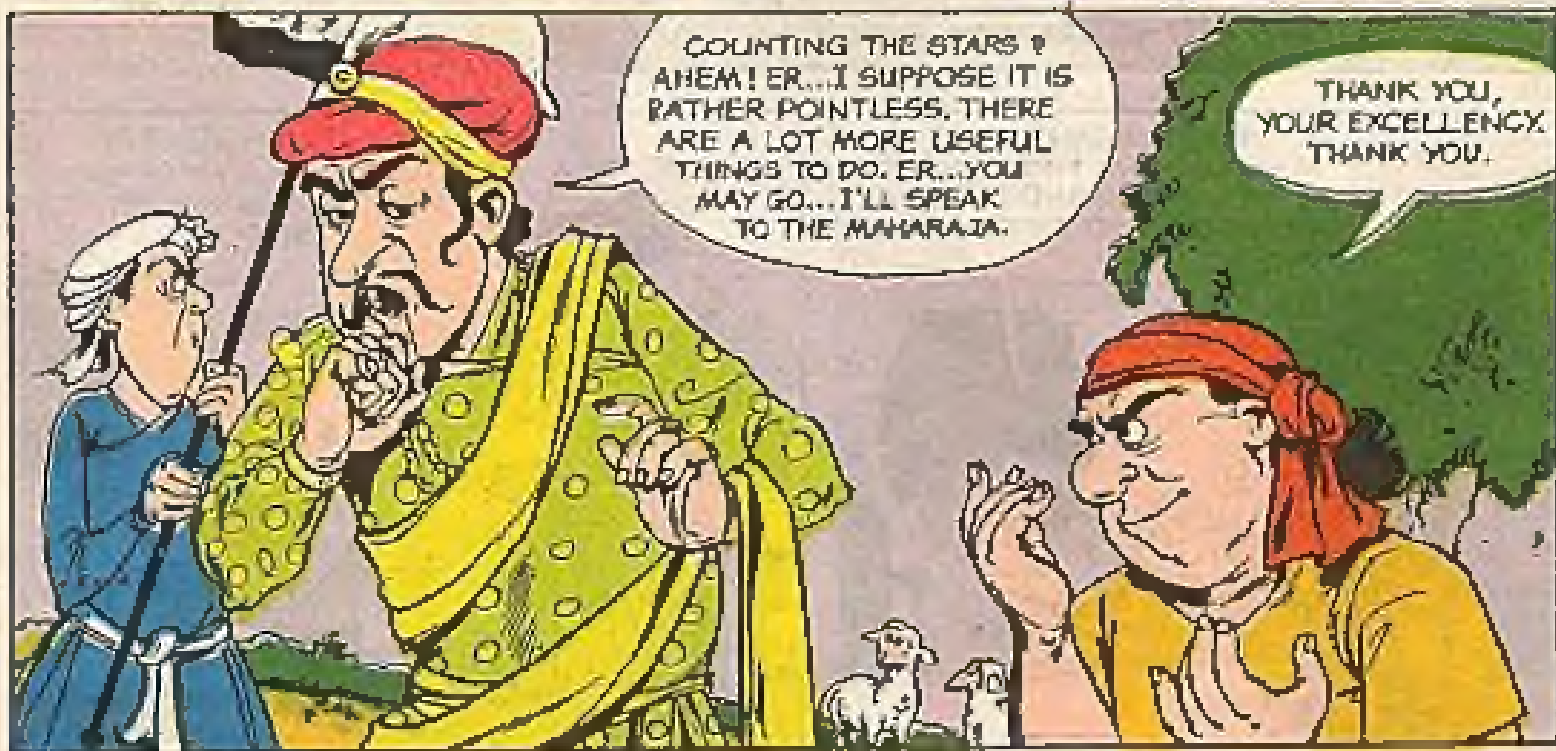
I THINK IT'S
ONE OF HIS
CRAZY
JOKES



GOPAL COUNTS THE STARS







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